

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM COMMITTEE (CIPC)

Minutes for March 11, 2009

Present: CIP Members: Chairman David Weaver, Mary Ellen Fitzgerald, Dawn Hayes, Todd Mitchell, Cynde Hertzog, David Smith, Larry Beck, Conrad Anker and Commission Liaison Joe Skinner. Staff: Grants and Projects Administrator Larry Watson and Commission Assistant Glenda Howze.

The meeting was called to order at 7:38 AM at the Judge Guenther Memorial Center conference room.

Public Comment: There was no public comment on matters not on the agenda.

Discussion Regarding Memo to County Commission on Recommendation made on 3/4/09:

(non-agenda item) The CIPC discussed a draft memo prepared by Glenda. It was determined to modify the memo to better reflect the intentions of the committee when making their motions on March 4th. Discussion took place regarding what a “detailed study” entails and it was determined that this is having a PER/PAR completed for the facility. Mr. Watson stated that when the jail was designed, it was done so with an assumed expansion plan. Both plans show connectivity to the jail, but one does it in one way and the other in a different way. It is all a matter of timeline and money. Discussion took place regarding the lack of motion to sell or lease the land. It was determined that the desire to lease only could be incorporated into the memo as well, so as not to indicate that the proposal itself has been reviewed. Below is the memo as submitted:

Based on the motions (see below) that we passed on March 4, 2009, the CIP Committee recommends that the County complete and formally adopt a Master Plan for the Law and Justice Property. Our intention is to maximize the usage of the land and future needs of the County and any other users. The CIPC recommends that the County Commission issue an RFQ if necessary to accomplish the master plan. If the County chooses not to go forward with the recommendation to contract for a master plan, the CIPC urges the County Commission to go forward with a detailed study on a County Law Enforcement Building (PER/PAR for this facility).

As we have not made a recommendation on the validity of the proposal from the City due to a lack of master plan, it is the CIPC’s recommendation that it is not in the County’s best interest to consider the sale of any property to the City of Bozeman at this time.

Thank you for your consideration of our recommendations on this matter.

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Motion 1: That the CIP Committee recommend that the County Commission issue an RFQ to do a Master Plan for the Law and Justice Campus to include addressing the long-range building plans for the City of Bozeman, Courts, Police, Sheriff and any other uses intended for this site, if necessary.

Motion 2: If the Commissioners do not accept the prior recommendation to contract for a Master Plan, that the CIP Committee recommends at detailed study on a County Law Enforcement Building.

**Discussion and Decision on CIP FY 2009 Applications** See attached spreadsheet of CIPC ranking of applications.